REMARKS

This is a continuation-in-part application of the parent application no. 09/400,417, and was filed before the issuance or termination of examination proceedings of the parent.

No new matter is introduced by these amendments.

CONCLUSION

The Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing preliminary amendments into the file of this application. No fee is believed necessary for this change; however, please charge any fee deemed necessary to Pennie & Edmonds deposit account no. 16-1150.

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EXHIBIT A

MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE SPECIFICATION FOR REPLACEMENT SECTION CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

(deleted matter is bracketed, underlined matter is added)

This application [claims priority from] is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/400,417, filed September 21, 1999, [herein] incorporated herein by reference, and additionally claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/268,044, filed February 12, 2001, [herein] incorporated herein by reference.